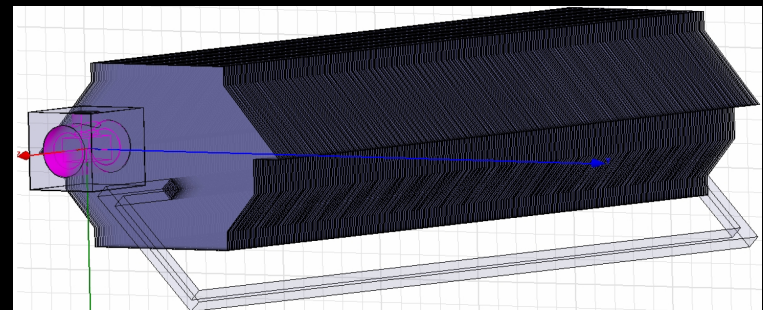


Simulation update

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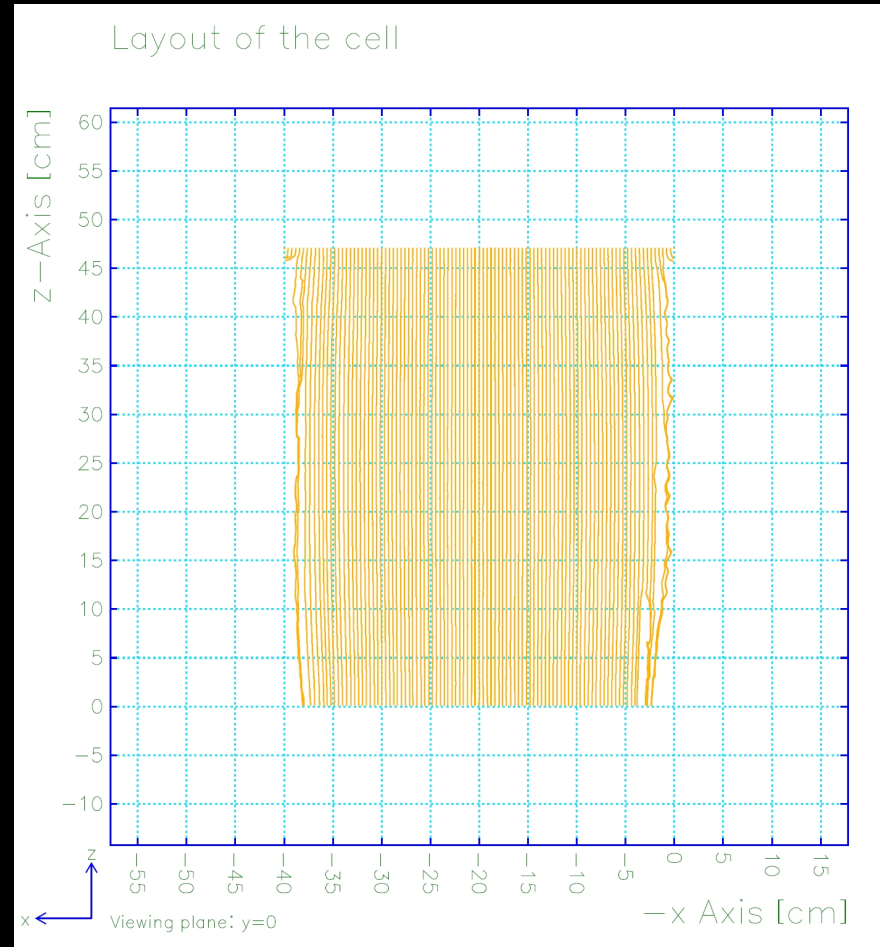
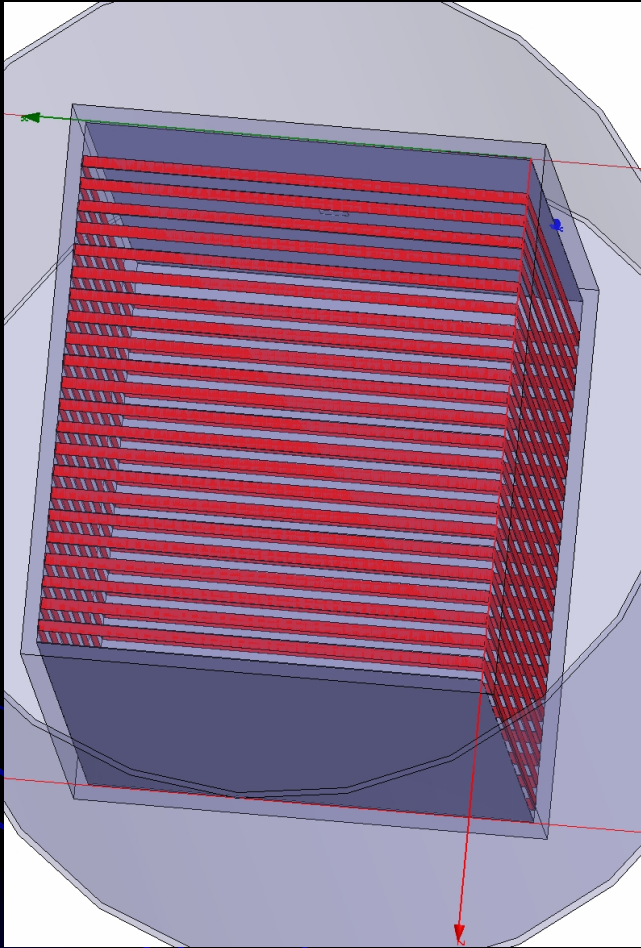
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A few notes about ANT_G4 in the CVS

- The GENIE neutrino generator is now available in the CVS with READMEs.
- The ANT_G4 physics list has been significantly updated (hadronic scattering and ionization) and checked.
- I have updated the neutrino generators to use the newest version of the NUMI flux files (gnumi_v19).
 - I need to do some cross checks with the work of Gina and the Italian group on the flux files.

TPC field map



- I need to work with Steve L. to implement the detailed E-field map in the wire signal simulation.

APS Meeting Outline

- Mitch gives his talk right before mine at the meeting. We will give practice talks to the collaboration soon.
- ArgoNeuT Design
 - Cryostat, TPC, and electronics
- Simulation stuff
 - Overview of neutrino generators and Geant setup, wire signals
 - dE/dx for electron/gamma separation.
- Physics reach(?) and goals
 - Demonstrating particle ID with dE/dx
 - Even if we can't obtain publishable results, we can demonstrate the LArTPC's ability to measure:
 - CCQE X-section (QE events \rightarrow axial mass) using MINOS for muons?
 - The Italians' tech note discusses CCQE events minus MINOS.
 - NCpi0 X-section?
 - Complete event containment is only $\sim 3\%$ (100 events) according to Nuance/Geant. We probably won't have enough events to do an actual physics measurement.
 - CCpi X-sections using MINOS for muons?

What about NC elastic scattering?

- NC elastic ($\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \nu_\mu p$ or $\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \nu_\mu n$) X-section
 - This could be a great measurement to do in ArgoNeuT (w/o MINOS!). We could demonstrate the power of the LArTPC by using dE/dx and/or topology to get rid of the dominant backgrounds for this channel (NC-1 pion).

$\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \nu_\mu p \pi^0$
$\nu_\mu p \rightarrow \nu_\mu n \pi^+$
$\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \nu_\mu n \pi^0$
$\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \nu_\mu p \pi^-$

- Can we separate proton events from neutron events?
 - Probably not with very high efficiency
- Ratio of proton NC elastic to CCQE.
- Possibilities: Strange spin component Δ_s of nucleon, axial mass.
- Will we have enough events? Using the expected number of CCQE events from Gina and a CCQE/NC elastic event ratio of ~3.5 (Nuance), we will see ~8000 (neutron and proton) NC elastic events in 180 days of running.
- I will look at this channel in more detail before APS meeting.